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ASCEND intends to demonstrate the potential and feasibility of a cryogenic and superconducting powertrain to breakthrough aircraft electric propulsion performances.

PURPOSE

Boost Airbus by accelerating future technologies

VISION

Fly the future of aerospace, Incubate talent, Inspire Airbus transformation

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Be THE reference for Technology Value Assessment Be recognized as an inspiring place to work Act as entrepreneurs

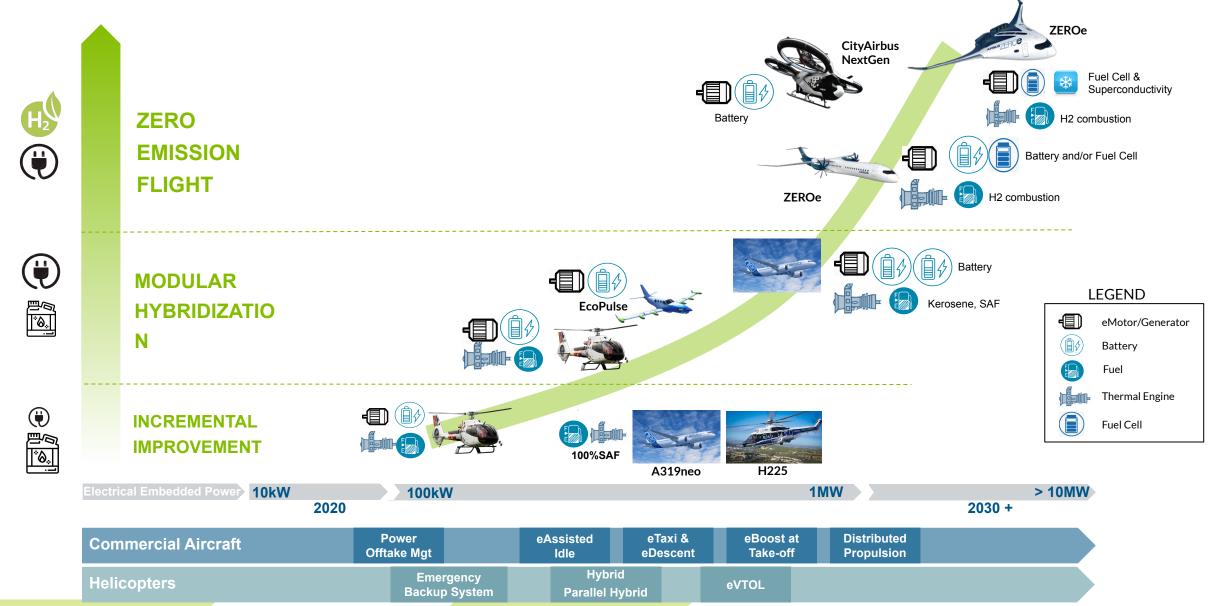
VALUES Keep it Simple, Be Audacious, Exploring Together Mindset

DNA Speed Of Execution, Caring for Each Other, Open to the World Unique value proposition

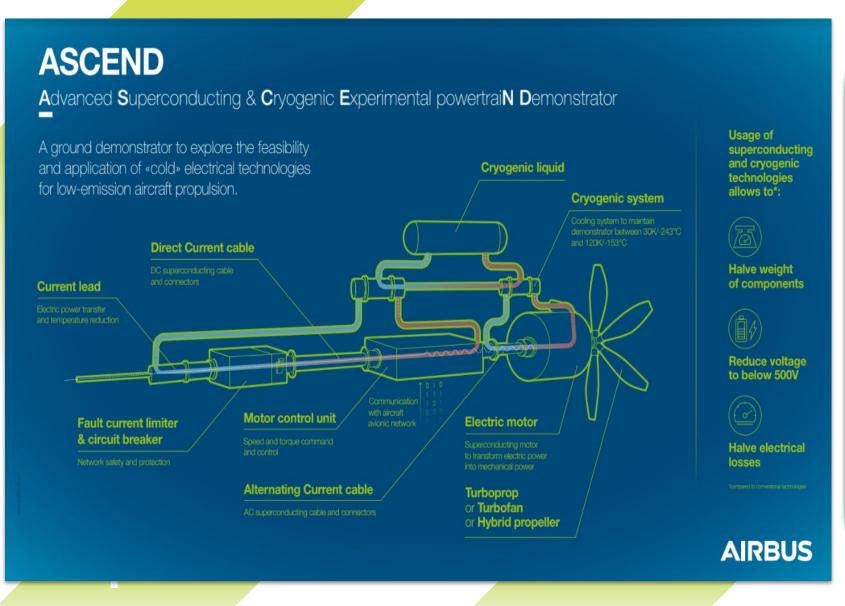
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Energy-related technologies to reduce aviation's carbon footprint



A Superconducting Powertrain 300V/ 500kW



3 years to Breakthrough high power electric systems

- Low voltage (< 500V)
- Reduce weight and volume
- Increase efficiency (+ 5-10%)
- Enable high torque motors, fault current limiters



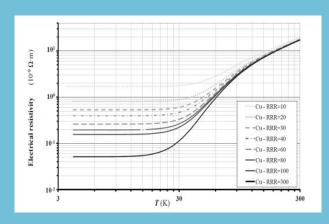
For Propulsive & Non-propulsive systems

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Cryogenic technologies?

Cryogenic

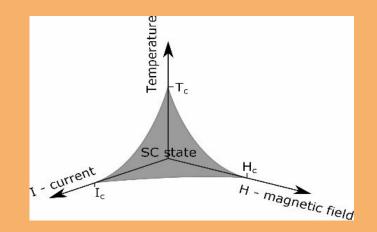
Conventional techno at low temperatures



- → losses divided by 3 to 5
- → increase thermal properties

Superconductivity

Specific materials below 3 parameters



- →no DC losses
- → Carry >100 times more current than copper
- → Perfect diamagnetism

An opportunity for electrical systems

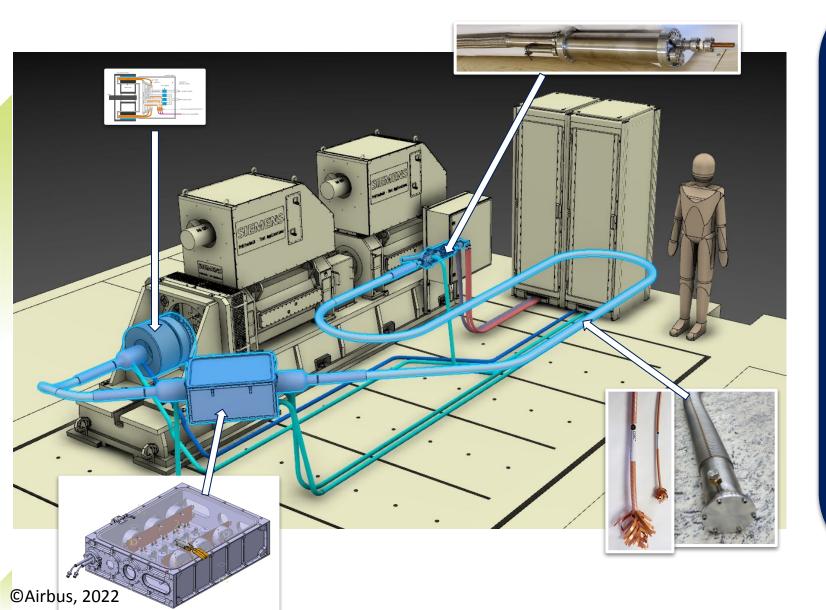


Reduce weight & volume

Increase efficiency & Current density



Demonstrator development



Good progress on Preliminary design



- No showstopper
- Electrical performances above expectations

but

Challenges on cryogenic components



thank you & keep moving

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